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INVESTIGATION UPDATE: DEPUTY REPORTING ROADSIDE ATTACK CHARGED WITH OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE/FALSELY SUMMONSING LAW ENFORCEMENT

WARRENTON – Fauquier County Sheriff's detectives have obtained criminal charges for the deputy who alleged he was the victim of a roadside attack on Friday night, July 10, 2020. The investigation began immediately when a passerby found the deputy lying face down at the intersection of Old Waterloo Road and Wilson Road.

Detectives thoroughly and vigorously investigated the allegation and determined the incident reported by the deputy was false. Immediate action has been taken and the deputy has been relieved of duty by Sheriff Mosier.

Detective John B. Thorpe has charged **Jake Preston Dooley, 22, of Marshall, Va**. with falsely summonsing law enforcement and obstruction of justice. Dooley was released by a magistrate on a \$10,000 unsecured bond but will be transported to a regional facility for a mental health evaluation.

Sheriff Mosier would like to recognize the tremendous amount of support the Sheriff's Office received when the original report was made public. We recognize the support of our citizens, law enforcement family and partners, local government, news organizations and community corporate partners. Support in the form of messages, food, reward offerings and other things were overwhelming. That support makes it even more difficult, but know your Sheriff will do the right thing always.

Sheriff Mosier, "Sometimes bad things happen to good organizations. We truly regret that this happened but find a tremendous amount of comfort in the

knowledge that our community understands and supports law enforcement in Fauquier County."

One of the goals of the Sheriff's Office is to ensure that the integrity of the agency is maintained through an internal system where objectivity, fairness, and justice are assured by intensive and impartial investigation and review. Because of our dedication to our profession and determination to find the truth, this matter has been resolved.

Having found the report of a roadside attack false, the Sheriff's Office has canceled any and all lookouts and other notices for a dark or black in color SUV on Wilson Road.



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